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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

GIFFIN RECOGNIZED BY BETA GAMMA SIGMA

CHARLESTON, IL--James Giffin of Charleston, founding dean of the Lumpkin College of Business at Eastern Illinois University, has been named an honorary member of the university's newly established chapter of Beta Gamma Sigma honor society for collegiate schools of business.

Beta Gamma Sigma is an international organization with 270 collegiate chapters and more than 300,000 alumni living around the world.

Chapters are established at schools and colleges of business in the United States and Canada which are accredited by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business. Eastern's business college recently was accredited by AACSB.

Giffin joined the EIU faculty as an instructor in business education in 1947, becoming department chairman in 1959. In 1962, he was named dean of the School of Business, serving in that capacity for 12 years. He completed his 36 years of service to Eastern as professor of management, retiring in 1982.

A 1940 Eastern graduate, Giffin is the recipient of numerous awards from Eastern, including the Livingston C. Lord Distin-

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guished Service Award, the university's highest honor; and College of Business Distinguished Faculty Award.

He also is the recipient of the Charleston Area Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Citizen's Award, and has been cited in Who's Who in America. He is a life member of the President's Club at EIU and chartered the local chapter of Delta Mu Delta national honorary fraternity for business students and alumni, and served as its national president from 1980-1983.

Giffin is also a philanthropist, sharing his time, talents and financial resources freely with Eastern. He and his wife, June (also an EIU alumnus, class of 1946) have created endowments for two named scholarships and the annual Dean's Award presented to the outstanding graduating senior. They also have supported the annual telefund campaign and several other campus projects.

Besides Giffin, others receiving special recognition during a recent induction ceremony were 51 Eastern students and 10 faculty members who became charter members of Beta Gamma Sigma.

Barbara Hill, provost and vice president for academic affairs, and Ted Ivarie, dean of the Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences, were among the new inductees. Also inducted were faculty members Timothy Gover and Matthew Monippallil, accountancy and finance; Lillian Greathouse, David McGrady and Marilyn Wilkins, business education and administrative information systems; Yunus Kathawala and Mike Wilson, computer and operations management; and Marilyn Oglesby, management/marketing.